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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20505

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Honorable Mike Mansfield United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Mansfield:

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It is hoped that these arrangements are fully responsive to the wishes of you and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence as outlined to me in your letter of 9 June and Chairman Inouye's letter of 8 June to you.

Sincerely,

George Bush Director

cc: Chairman Daniel Inouye

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22 JUN 1976

Honorable Daniel Inouye, Chairman Select Committee on Intelligence United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

I am sending you a copy of my letters to Senators Mansfield and Scott extending the moratorium on the destruction of certain records until 10 December 1976. I do hope that this action and the procedures outlined in my letters are fully responsive to the interests of your Committee.

Sincerely,

/s/ George Bush

George Bush Director

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June 10, 1976

Honorable George Bush Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Director:

With reference to your letter of June 2, we took up the substance of your communication with the Honorable Daniel K. Inouye, Chairman of the Select Committee on Intelligence, United States Senate, and received from him a reply under date of June 9, 1976, which we enclose along with copies of our letter to Chairman Inouye under date of June 7 and his reply to us under date of June 8.

We concur wholeheartedly in the decision of the Committee that "there should be a moratorium on the destruction of these records for approximately six months and that notice should be given of the moratorium on destruction so that those who may wish to take legal or other action may do so."

As ex officio members of the Select Committee on Intelligence, we approve fully of the Committee's recommendation "that the CIA and other intelligence agencies should submit an inventory of the records to be destroyed to the Select Committee, and that the Select Committee staff should review documents intended to be destroyed."

With best personal wishes and our highest regards, we are

Sincerely,

HUGH SCOTT, REPUBLICAN LEADER

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SELECT COMMITTEE ON INTELLIGENCE

(PURSUANT TO S. RES. 400, 14TH CONGRESS)
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20518

June 9, 1976

The Honorable Mike Mansfield United States Senate Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Mansfield:

The Select Committee on Intelligence met today to consider, as you requested, the question of destruction of certain records by the intelligence agencies of the U.S. Government and to make recommendations for action. The Committee is unanimously of the opinion that there should be a moratorium on the destruction of these records for approximately six months and that notice should be given of the moratorium on destruction so that those who may wish to take legal or other action may do so.

It is further the recommendation of the Committee that the CIA and other intelligence agencies should submit an inventory of the records to be destroyed to the Select Committee, and that the Select Committee staff should review documents intended to be destroyed.

With kind regards,

Aloha,

Chairman

(This same letter to Senator Hugh Scott)

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(PURSUANT TO S. RES. 400, 14TH CONGRESS)
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

June 8, 1976

The Honorable Mike Mansfield United States Senate Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Mansfield:

I have received your letter of June 7, 1976, concerning the destruction of records held by the intelligence agencies pursuant to your letter of January 1975.

The Select Committee on Intelligence will discuss this matter at its next meeting on Wednesday, June 9, which you are invited to attend. I will report the views of the Committee following the conclusion of that meeting.

With kind regards,

Alpha,

Daniel K. Inouye

Chairman

United States Senate Office of the Majority Leader Washington, P.A. 20510

June 7, 1976

Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Chairman:

We have received a letter from the Honorable George Bush, Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, relative to the destruction of papers and material which he has held for sometime relative to our request. Our action was taken to facilitate the inquiry being undertaken by your predecessor committee under the chairmanship of Senator Frank Church.

In view of the fact, as we assume, that all of Senator Church's committee records have been turned over to your permanent Select Committee, we would appreciate your advising us as to whether or not you want our original letter to stand and the papers and other materials to still be held. Could you give us the judgment of you and your Committee on this matter?

With best wishes, we are

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REPUBLICAN LEADER

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY WASHINGTON.D.C. 20505

2 June 1976

Honorable Mike Mansfield United States Senate Office of the Majority Leader Washington, D.C. 20510

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In response to this request, the Agency placed in effect a complete moratorium on the destruction of records, including normal administrative records scheduled for routine destruction.

The purpose of this letter is to advise you that it is our intention to proceed with destruction of records, now that the Select Committee has completed its investigation and issued its final report. We have so advised Senator Church.

Along with the backlog of routine administrative records, the Agency will destroy records which were collected and maintained by the Agency and which were subject to investigation by the Rockefeller Commission and the Select Committee. The Agency is required to destroy much of this latter material by the Privacy Act of 1974 (P. L. 93-579) and by Executive Order 11905. Of course, all records destruction will be fully consistent with other applicable laws, Presidential directives, and the requirements of pending litigation and Justice Department investigations.

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Honorable Hugh Scott United States Senate 2004/03/11 : CIA-RDP77M00144R000800070021-7 Office of the Minority Leader Washington, D.C. 20510

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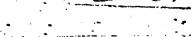
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Mr. Bush:

Donna from Senator Mansfield's office called. She said the attachments to the letter you received today from Senator Mansfield and Scott were inadvertently left off and are being delivered, either tonight or sometime tomorrow. The attachments include:

- 1. Mr. Bush's letter of 2 June to Senators Mansfield and Scott
- The Senator's letter to Senator Inouye, dated 7 June
 Senator Inouye's interim response, dated 8 June
 Senator Inouye's formal reply, dated 9 June.

These have been released by the Senators, to the press today.

(Donna said that the letter you received almost verbatim is what Inouye's reply is.)

Karen

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NASHINGTON (RP) - THE NEW SENATE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE HAS UNANIHOUSLY RECOMMENDED A SIX-MONTH HORATORIUM ON CIR PLANS TO DESTROY FILES OF IMPROPER AND ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES.

THE DECISION WAS REACHED BY THE PANEL IN A CLOSED-DOOR SESSION ON WEDNESDAY AND PUBLICLY DISCLOSED THURSDAY BY CHAIRMAN SEN. DANIEL K. INOUYE, D-HAWAII IN A LETTER TO SENATE LEADERS.

'IT IS THE FURTHER RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMITTEE THAT THE CIR AND OTHER INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES SHOULD SUBHIT AN INVENTORY OF THE RECORDS TO BE DESTROYED. TO THE PANEL. INOUYE SAID IN A LETTER TO SENATE MAJORITY LEADER MIKE MANSFIELD AND MINORITY LEADER HUGH SCOTT.

MANSFIELD AND SCOTT EARLIER IN THE WEEK HAD LEFT IT TO THE NEW PANEL TO DECIDE WHETHER THE CIR SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO DESTROY ITS FILES ON ITS PAST MISDEEDS.

THE CONTROVERSY WAS PROMPTED WHEN CIM DIRECTOR GEORGE BUSH WROTE TO MANSFIELD AND SCOTT TO TELL THEM HE PLANNED TO DESTROY THE FILES NOW THAT CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATIONS INTO ALLEGATIONS OF IMPROPER CONDUCT HAD BEEN COMPLETED.

THESE SAME SENATE LEADERS HAD BEEN THE ONES WHO HAD ASKED THE CIA TO SAVE THE FILES WHILE CONGRESS WAS INVESTIGATING THE ALLEGED MISDEEDS. THE BUSH STATEMENT GENERATED SHARP CRITICISM FROM Rep. Bella Abzug; O-W.Y.; who chairs the House government information subcommittee; and from Sen. Edward W. Kennedy; O-Mass.; Chairman of the Senate administrative practice and procedure subcommittee.

KENNEDY HAD CALLED IT INCONCEIVABLE THAT THE CIA LACKS THE STORAGE CAPACITY TO STORE THE FILES: WHICH WERE USED BY THE SPECIAL SENATE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE WHICH RECENTLY COMPLETED ITS INVESTIGATION AND WAS DISBANDED.

THE NEW, PERMANENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE, IN ONE OF ITS FIRST OFFICIAL ACTS, "IS UNANIMOUSLY OF THE OPINION THAT THERE SHOULD 86 A MORATORIUM ON THE DESTRUCTION OF THESE RECORDS FOR APPROXIMATELY SIX MONTHS AND THAT NOTICE SHOULD BE GIVEN OF THE MORATORIUM ... SO THAT THOSE WHO MAY WISH TO TAKE LEGAL OR OTHER ACTION MAY DO SO; " INQUYE SAID.

HE ALSO SAID THE PANEL HAD RECOMMENDED THAT ITS STAFF BE ALLOWED TO REVIEW ALL Approved For Release 2004/03/1/1 : ELA PROPARIMON 05-10